Introduction

This Prince Edward Island fishery statistical brochure is designed to present the most current information available on the fishing industry. In terms of economics the fishery ranks third in the province behind agriculture and tourism. The fishery landed weight in 2014 exceeded 112 million pounds and a landed value in excess of $183 million. The value to the economy of the Province exceeds $366 million. The industry employs as many as 8,500 people at peak production.

Prince Edward Island
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries

General Information

No. of Commercial Fishermen		4,151
No. of Fishing Vessels - inshore		1,356
No. of Licenced Lobster Fishermen		1,247
No. of Licensed Groundfish Fishermen		800
No. of Licensed Mackerel Fishermen		1,260
No. of Licensed Herring Fishermen		868
Plants		
No. of Provincially Licensed and Federally Registered Export Plants		40
No. of Provincially Licensed Non-Export Plants		18
No. of Major Shellfish Shippers		19
No. of Finfish Culture Sites		4
No. of Oyster leases on bottom	5595 acres	758
No. of Oyster leases off bottom	2185 acres	226
No. of Mussel leases	11233 acres	320

Value of Fishery to P.E.I. Economy =
Approximately $366 Million

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Landed Weight (000s lbs.)

	2013	2014
Groundfish	201	81
Pelagic & Estuarial	19,696	16,079
Molluscs & Crustaceans	92,619	90,941
Seaplants	4,990	4,891
Total	**117,506**	**111,993**

Landings and Value of Major Species - 2014

	000s lbs.	Metric Tons	000s $
Cod	15	7	14
Flounder	3	1	1
Blackbacks	13	6	13
Halibut	52	24	308
Tuna	338	153	1,893
Mackerel	1,150	522	585
Herring	13,507	6,128	2,246
Gaspereaux	119	54	81
Eels	236	107	512
Smelts	9	4	5
Silversides	648	294	478
Sandlances	71	32	45
Cultured Finfish	0	0	3,200
Lobster	29,770	13,507	117,590
Bar Clams	897	407	439
Soft-Shell Clams	416	189	827
Quahaugs	941	427	846
Scallops (Shucked)	100	45	960
Mussels	44,196	20,053	30,937
Oysters	7,296	3,310	9,849
Whelks	9	4	4
Snow Crab	3,403	1,544	9,880
Rock Crab	3,912	1,775	2,102
Irish Moss	4,892	2,220	639
Total Fish and Marine Plants	**111,993**	**50,814**	**183,454**

Landed Value (000s $)

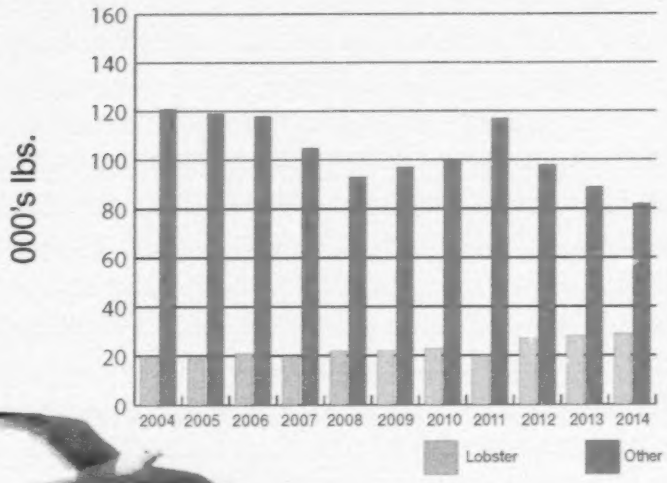
	2013	2014
Groundfish	496	336
Pelagic & Estuarial	11,390	9,045
Molluscs & Crustaceans	143,985	173,434
Seaplants	733	639
Total	156,604	183,454

Lobster Landings and Values

V= Values in 000s $ Q= Quantity in million lbs.

		Q	V
Avg. 30's		7.8	503.8
Avg. 40's		6.6	1,102.3
Avg. 50's		8.3	2,234.8
Avg. 60's		8.6	4,188.9
Avg. 70's		8.7	9,368.3
Avg. 80's		16.1	33,857.5
1990s	1990	22.5	40,348.0
	1991	22.8	48,521.9
	1992	19.6	58,068.0
	1993	19.8	51,712.0
	1994	18.9	65,398.0
	1995	19.3	79,242.0
	1996	17.9	61,319.0
	1997	17.6	70,614.0
	1998	18.9	80,553.0
	1999	18.4	88,778.0
Avg 90's		19.6	62,455.3
2000s	2000	19.1	87,769.0
	2001	19.3	104,831.0
	2002	19.9	105,339.0
	2003	20.0	108,308.0
	2004	19.9	100,099.0
	2005	18.5	103,222.0
	2006	21.5	113,391.0
	2007	20.1	108,647.0
	2008	21.9	100,740.0
	2009	22.9	71895.0
	2010	23.8	82382.0
	2011	20.7	79,595.0
	2012	27.2	113,756.0
	2013	28.7	91,385.0
	2014	29.7	117,590.0

PEI Fish Landings - 2004 to 2014



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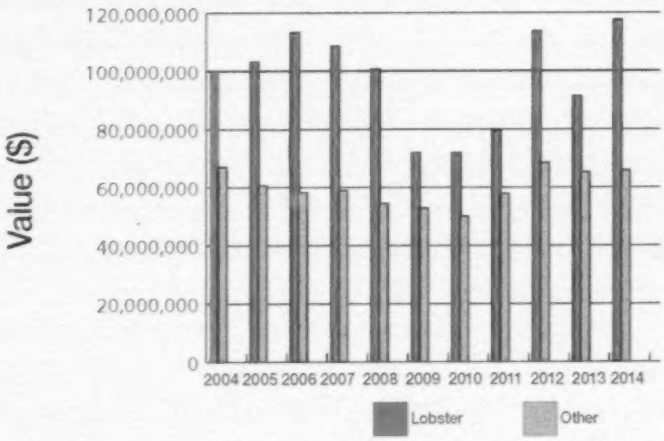


Crab Landings 2009-2014 (lbs.)

	Snow	Rock
2009	4,329,835	4,527,835
2010	1,818,498	4,607,542
2011	2,189,772	4,724,329
2012	3,777,652	4,280,726
2013	4,322,034	4,084,474
2014	3,403,445	3,911,642

Top 10 Species By Value

2013 SPECIES	(~000's $)	2014 SPECIES	(~000's $)
1. Lobster	91,385	1. Lobster	117,590
2. Mussels	28,673	2. Mussels	30,937
3. Snow Crab	9,743	3. Snow Crab	9,880
4. Oysters	8,671	4. Oysters	9,849
5. Herring	4,467	5. Cultured Finfish	3,200
6. Cultured Finfish	3,000	6. Herring	2,246
7. Bluefin Tuna	2,299	7. Rock Crab	2,102
8. Rock Crab	1,989	8. Tuna	1893
9. Quahaugs	1,275	9. Scallops	960
10. Scallops	1,007	10. Quahaugs	846

Top 10 Species By Weight

2013 SPECIES	000s lbs.	2014 SPECIES	000s lbs.
1. Mussels	44,112	1. Mussels	44,196
2. Lobster	28,768	2. Lobster	29,770
3. Herring	17,180	3. Herring	13,507
4. Oysters	7,226	4. Oysters	7,296
5. Irish Moss	4,990	5. Irish Moss	4,892
6. Snow Crab	4,322	6. Rock Crab	3,912
7. Rock Crab	4,084	7. Snow Crab	3,403
8. Quahaugs	1,385	8. Mackerel	1,150
9. Mackerel	1,198	9. Quahaugs	941
10. Bar Clams	950	10. Bar Clams	897

Lobster Landings (lbs.) – 2014

	Canners	Markets	Total
LFA 24	8,861,457	6,469,916	15,331,373
LFA 26A	3,546,325	5,059,885	8,606,210
LFA 25	3,166,345	2,665,699	5,832,044
		Total	29,769,627

LFA 24 – North Cape to East Point
(Season: May 01 to June 30)

LFA 26A – East Point to Victoria
(Season: May 01 to June 30)

LFA 25 – Victoria to North Cape
(Season: August 9 to October 10)

PEI Aquaculture Production 1994 – 2014

Landings (lbs.)

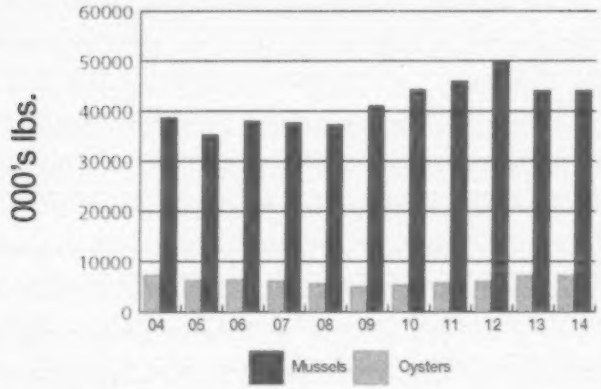
Year	Oysters	Mussels	Finfish	Total
1994	3,424,836	13,112,208	117,692	**16,654,736**
1995	3,952,397	16,468,177	130,180	20,550,754
1996	3,695,705	19,442,519	140,760	**23,278,984**
1997	3,149,563	21,993,112	207,920	25,265,966
1998	4,351,746	27,472,459	218,852	**32,043,057**
1999	5,342,301	30,626,539	180,526	36,149,366
2000	6,022,545	39,459,453	168,000	**45,649,998**
2001	6,031,400	38,599,186	195,640	44,826,226
2002	6,028,835	37,003,701	72,080	**43,104,616**
2003	6,694,693	37,102,487	53,552	43,850,732
2004	7,352,700	38,747,715	44,305	**46,144,720**
2005	6,281,054	35,350,173	24,000	41,655,227
2006	6,439,913	38,025,462	22,500	**44,487,875**
2007	6,183,797	37,645,688	30,000	43,859,485
2008	5,653,918	37,301,880	9,000	**42,964,798**
2009	5,028,503	41,091,361	0	46,119,864
2010	5,462,146	44,338,470	0	**49,800,616**
2011	5,913,310	46,062,700	0	51,976,010
2012	6,143,281	50,023,365	0	**56,166,646**
2013	7,226,162	44,112,789	0	51,338,951
2014	**7,295,983**	**44,196,399**	**0**	**51,492,382**

Note: Oyster landings include the public oyster fishery and lease production.

Values (000s)$

Year	Oysters	Mussels	Finfish	Total
1994	3,275	6,321	487	**10,083**
1995	3,070	8,596	532	12,198
1996	2,945	10,693	806	**14,444**
1997	3,181	12,096	817	16,094
1998	4,447	15,110	882	**20,439**
1999	5,075	16,845	786	22,706
2000	6,324	21,703	733	**28,760**
2001	6,273	23,160	811	30,244
2002	5,727	22,202	892	**28,821**
2003	7,431	23,597	852	31,880
2004	6,670	23,249	3,256	**33,175**
2005	5,527	21,422	1,888	28,837
2006	7,793	22,813	1,311	**31,917**
2007	6,702	21,777	1,684	30,163
2008	5,654	22,381	1,624	**29,659**
2009	5,075	24,655	1,826	33,567
2010	5,844	26,603	2,200	**36,657**
2011	6,622	26,716	3,700	37,038
2012	7,617	30,014	3,200	**40,831**
2013	8,671	28,673	3,000	40,344
2014	**9,849**	**30,937**	**3,200**	**46,000**

PEI Mussel and Oyster Landings 2004 to 2014



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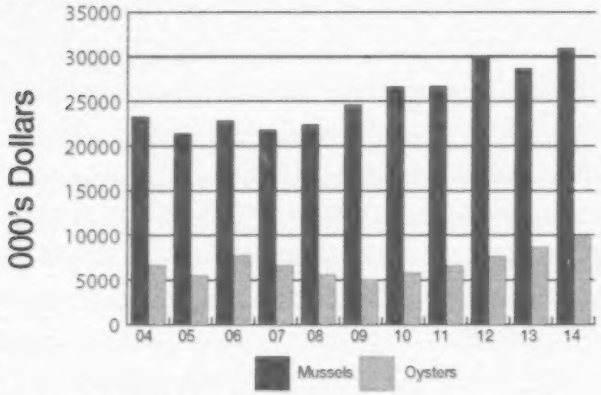

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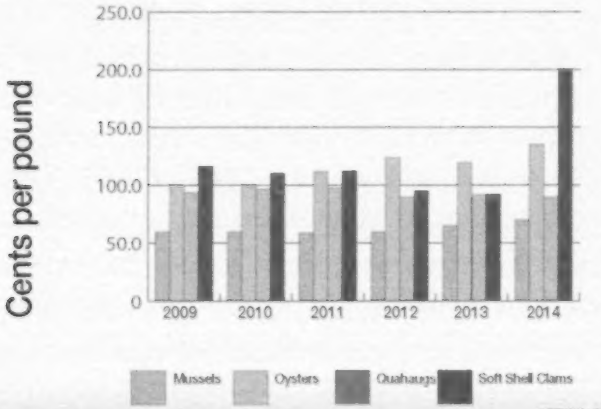

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